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Response to Amendment

The reply filed on 6/14/2004 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

The claims have been amended to read on another species of the invention that was not elected in response to the requirement for the election of species dated 5/22/2002. In the response dated 7/3/2002, applicant elected the species of figures 3-8. The new language of "a holding element" in claims 13, 36, and 49 is not part of these figures or species. The holding element is found in figures 9-15(b). Therefore, all of the present claims would be withdrawn by election of original presentation. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Catherine S. Williams whose telephone number is 703-308-4846. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nicholas D. Lucchesi can be reached on 703-308-2698. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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